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SUBJECT: JAPANESE AUTO EXPORTS TO U.S.

1. MARCH 10-11 EDITIONS OF SEVERAL JAPANESE PAPERS CARRIED NEWS OF MITI "INSTRUCTIONS" TO JAPANESE AUTO MAKERS CONCERNING RESTRAINT OF EXPORTS TO THE U.S. NIKKAN KOGYO SHIMBUN CITED SPECIFIC GUIDANCE TO NISSAN AND TOYOTA FOR REDUCTION OF U.S.-BOUND EXPORTS BY 7 PERCENT FROM 1977, WHILE OTHER JAPANESE COMPANIES WERE REPORTEDLY TOLD TO HOLD EXPORTS TO LAST YEAR'S LEVEL.

2. HOWEVER, OFFICIALS IN MITI'S AUTOMOBILE DIVISION SAY THAT NO SPECIFIC FIGURES HAVE BEEN MENTIONED FOR EXPORT RESTRICTION. MITI CONTACTS ARE CLEARLY CONCERNED WITH THE INCREASED RATE OF JAPANESE AUTO EXPORTS TO THE U.S. AND TOLD US THAT THEY HAVE ASKED EACH AUTO MAKER TO SUBMIT MONTHLY EXPORT FIGURES FOR REVIEW.

3. AUTO INDUSTRY OFFICIALS (NISSAN, TOYOTA, AND JAPAN AUTO MFGRS. ASSOC.) CONFIRM THAT NO PARTICULAR FIGURE HAS BEEN SET FOR U.S.-BOUND AUTO EXPORT LEVELS. INDUSTRY CONTACTS SAY THAT THEY HAVE "INFORMALLY" BEEN ASKED BY MITI TO KEEP EXPORTS AT ABOUT LAST YEAR'S LEVEL.

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